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E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: POSSIBILITY OF MUJIB VISITING JAPAN

1. LDP DIETNAM HAYAKAWA, WHO IS PRESIDENT OF JAPAN- BANGLADESH ASSOCIATION, CALLED UPON PRIMIN TANAKA MAY 8 TO INFORM HIM THAT BD PRMIN NUJIB RAHMAN WISHED VISIT JAPAN IN EARLY JULY. TOKYO PAPERS REPORTED MAY 9 THAT, AFTER MEETING, HAYAKAWA TOLD PRESS THAT TANAKA HAD SAID HE WOULD WELCOME JULY VISIT.

2. FONOFF SOUTHWEST ASIA DIVISION DEPUTY CHIEF, YOSHIDA, TOLD EMBOFF THAT NEWS STORIES MISREPRESENTED TANAKA'S REMARKS TO HAYAKAWA. TANAKA HAD ONLY SAID HE WOULD WELCOME VISIT BY MUJIB BUT HAD NOT MENTIONED ANYTHING ABOUT TIMING. YOSHIDA ADDED THAT GOJ AND GBD WERE CONTINUING TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE DATES, THAT GBD WAS NOT PRESSING FOR VISIT IN JULY AND THAT THUS FAR MUTUALLY AGREEABLE DATES HAD NOT BEEN FOUND. YOSHIDA SAID JAPANESE DIET SCHEDULE WOULD PROBABLY PRECLUDE EARLY JULY VISIT BUT PREDICTED VISIT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE LATER THIS YEAR.

3. YOSHIDA BELIEVES HAYAKAWA APPROACHED TANAKA ON HIS OWN INITIATIVE AND NOT RPT NOT AT REQUEST OF GBD.
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